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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th/June, through Sunday, 12th/June there were 201 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY9, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV9, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, VE, VK, VP2M, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD8, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA, SWAZILAND (Update/Low Band Activity). Frosty, K5LBU/3DA0CF, reports good news for Low Banders, and all systems are a go for July from Swaziland. The operators are excited about the antennas for the low bands. He states that thanks to a fellow ham, they will have (3) 800 ft. beverages. One beverage will be pointed toward the U.S., one toward Europe and one toward Japan. They expect to be on the air by the **9th of July** or possibly the 8th. Frosty mentions that they will have two very tall verticals for 160-80 meters (they are at least 70 ft. tall, and they will try to put them at least 1/8th wave apart). He wished that they had several more operators on this trip, but he guesses Wayne, W5KDJ/3DA0JDK, will have to do all the CW. On 40 meters they will have the 40 meter kits on a Cushcraft A4S antennas which will be close to 40 meters high.

3Y0X PETER I DXPEDITION (Press Release #2006-1). The following was sent out by

Ralph/K0IR and Bob/K4UEE on June 9th: "The Peter I DXpedition is scheduled for early 2006. We are pleased to announce that contracts have been signed with a two Chilean companies to provide a vessel and helicopter for the DXpedition to Peter I, Antarctica during Jan/Feb. 2006. The actual dates of the operation will be released on or about Sept. 1, 2005, but the general time frame will be between **Jan. 16 and the end of February 2006**. The actual dates depend on the vessel scheduling and weather considerations.

It is the team's objective to be at Peter I for a **minimum of two weeks** with the actual operating time to be determined by weather and set-up time. Because of the likelihood of it being a very long time before Peter I will be activated again, we have set some very high QSO goals. Nine stations will be established on the island and QRV on all bands 160-10m, on the most common communications modes.

Most of the members of the 2005 team will participate in the 2006 DXpedition, but there are several slots available for new team members. Contact either: K4UEE (mallphin@aol.com) or K0IR (rfedor@cloudnet.com) for more information. This adventure is not for the faint-hearted!

Sponsors from the 2005 attempt are on board for 2006. See <http://www.peterone.com> for a complete list. This is a very expensive project. Although the team will be putting up approximately 70% of the DXpedition's expenses, additional contributions from sponsors are being sought. Contributions by check or PayPal are very much appreciated. It is easy, just go to <http://www.peterone.com>. Thanks for your support!

We will be posting DXpedition updates periodically, so please check the website often."

9A10, CROATIA (Special Event). Members of the Amateur Radio Club Koprivnica will be active with the special callsign **9A10KC** now **through December 31st**. Activity is to celebrate the **10th Jubilee of the Community for the Technical Culture of the City of Koprivnica**. The QSL Manager for this activity is Kresimir, 9A7K. Contacts with 9A10KC are also valid for both "Worked 9A PFX Award" and "Croatian County Award". Also, a "Koprivnica City Award" is available. For more details on the 9A10KC callsign and the above mentioned awards, visit the following Web page at: <http://www.9a7k.com>.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA (Please Change Your Databases). Ian, **9M2FB**, was heard this past week on 20 meters CW just after 1515z. Ian E-mailed OPDX and informed us that since January of this year, he has been issued with the callsign 9M2FB (before that he was active as 9M2/G3TMA). He states, "It seems this is a reissue of a callsign issued to 9V1OK many years ago." Some QSL CDs and databases are still listing 9M2FB via 9V1OK. This is incorrect. The correct QSL address for 9M2FB is on QRZ.com for direct cards or via G3TMA for bureau cards.

A5, BHUTAN. Takkuma, JF1EGV, was heard this past weekend as **A52EGV** on 21255 kHz starting as early as 1200z and as late as 1600z. QSL via operator's instructions. Also, A51AJ has been heard on 20 meters SSB after 1315z. QSL via DJ2MX.

CY9SS, ST. PAUL ISLAND. After a rough landing on the island, the CY9SS crew is now active **until July 7th**. Reported details by "The Daily DX" indicate that "while the crew was coming ashore, the team lost a generator and three tower sections, and the landing craft's captain hurt his leg. High wind and rain also hampered efforts to set up camp." Also, the WX

has not been kind to DXpedition. Currently, the team is down to four operators. Krassy, K1LZ, broke a leg and had to be air lifted by a Canadian Search and Rescue helicopter (David, KY1V, went with them to help out). More operators (5) are expected on Tuesday, weather permitting. As this was being typed on Sunday, activity by **CY9SS** was on 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters. QSL CY9SS via VY2SS: 57 Tranquility Ln, Bloomfield, PEI C0B 1E0 CANADA.

DAYTON HAMVENTION 2005 PHOTO GALLERY. The famous K8CX 2005 Dayton Photo Gallery is now up with 157 photos at: <http://hamgallery.com/dayton2005/>. Tom, K8CX states, "This makes the 9th consecutive year for Dayton Photo Galleries."

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, has informed OPDX that The following operation is approved for DXCC credit:

- **HZ1EX** - Saudi Arabia; From October 27, 2004 through December 31, 2005.

*ADDED NOTE: Hans, SM0BYD, informs OPDX that he is the QSL Manager for this station. This station is also approved for LoTW. He also adds "DO NOT SEND IRCs!" IRCs are no longer valid in Sweden. Visit the following for details: <http://www.qrz.com/SM0BYD/>.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. The first HA-LZ team will operate from here as **HB0/homecall** between **June 19-26th**. The QTH is a rented house on Malbun, 1602m ASL. The team members are: Valya/LZ5AV (XYL), Johnny/LZ1PJ, Laci/HA0HW, Tomi/HA4DX and Geza/HA4XG. They plan to have three stations set up, and one will be on 50.100 Mhz with a 6 element Yagi. For HF, they will use a 3 element Yagi, Gps, and dipoles made by DunaX. Activity will be on all HF bands, including the WARC bands, and on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via the LZ and HA bureaus or direct to the addresses you can find at QRZ.com.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-059.** By the time you read this, the station signing UE0ISL will be wrapping up their operation from **Zav'yalova Island** (RRA New One and expected QRT is June 13th). Activity was to be on 40/20 meters and possibly 17/15 meters. Later in July a team is planning a more serious trip to this island.
- **AS-066.** Operators Dmitry/UA0LQJ, Yuri/UA0LG, Alex/UA0LDY, Anatoly/ RA0LHK, Igor/RA0LGG, Svetlana/RA0LHE, Kristina/UA0LHH and Nick/UA0NM will sign **UE0LBI** from **Bel'tsov Island June 17-21st**. They will also make a side trip to **Petrova Island** which is not an IOTA and sign UE0LPI. QSL both operations via IK2DUW.
- **AS-147.** Operators JA1KJW, JJ1JGI, JK1EBA, 7N4AGB plan to be active from **Rebun Island** (JIA AS-147-006), Hokkaido from **July 15-18th** and **Rishiri Island** (JIA AS-147-007) from **July 18-21st**. Look for them to sign **homecall/8**. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or via the bureau.
- **EU-NEW.** Just a reminder to look for **MS0IRC/p** to be active from **Rockall Island** (New IOTA!) around **June 14th** and lasting **until June 21st**. (Read [OPDX.703](#)). Operators are Dave/MM0ALM and Jim/MM0CWJ. Activity from this dangerous island will be primarily SSB on all bands. QSL via direct to G0HXN.
- **EU-031.** Operators IK8UND, IK8HCG and IK8TEO will join Virgilio, IC8OZM, for the **IOTA Contest**. They will be signing **IC8OZM** from the island of **Procida** (IIA NA-002 and MI-080). QSL via the home callsign.
- **EU-078.** Members of the Radio Club Girona will activate Isla Meda Grande (DIE E-001,

DME-17199) as **ED3MED** on **June 19th**. Their activity will be during the Spanish Islands Contest (D.I.E.) on 40 meters CW/SSB. Operators mentioned are: Josep/EA3GM, Rafael/EA3QA, Mai/EA3EGC and Miquel EC3AMR. QSL via EA3RCG (QRZ.com).

- **EU-138**. Bernd, DL8AAV, will be active as **SM7/DL8AAV/p** from **Aspo Island**. He is here on vacation **until June 24th**. Activity will be on HF and SSB. QSL via the Bureau to his home callsign.
- **EU-171**. Jakob, OZ7AEI, will activate the following islands in this IOTA group on **June 16th**: **Jegindoe** (Danish Island Award NJ-006), **Ageroe** (DIA NJ-018) and **Mors** (DIA NJ-002 and the Sillerslev Lighthouse ARLHS DEN-064). He will sign **OZ7AEI/p** and his activity will begin around 0700z, on 40 and 20 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.
- **SA-039**. Read the story about the 2005 **CW5R** DXpedition to **Lobos Island** at: <http://www17.ocn.ne.jp/~iota-ja/newpage3cw5r.html>.
- **SA-058**. The Association of Radioamateurs of Venezuela and the Grupo DX Caracas are pleased to announce that they are organizing an IOTA DXpedition to the **Carabobo State Islands** (Specific island will be announced shortly), to celebrate the **2005 Venezuelan Navy Day**. Look for them to sign **YW4C**, **July 7-10th**. Activity will be on HF (SSB/CW/Digital) and 6 meters VHF (FM). Grid Locator: FK60. QSL only via W4SO (Please, no USA stamps. Cards are verified and mailed from Venezuela.)

KH2, GUAM. Yoshi, JE2EHP, will be active from Guam (**OC-026**) as **K1HP/KH2** from **June 17-19th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW/SSB. QSL via the Bureau to JE2EHP.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY.....

- Alfredo, IK7JWX, is expected to activate some new lighthouses in July and August for the WAIL, ARLHS and WLOTA Awards. The callsigns to be used are **IK7JWX/P** and **IR7LH/P**. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. Names of lighthouses and specific days were not provided. QSL via IK7JWX by the bureau. NO e-QSLs.
- Ten members of the Starosherbinovskaya Amateur Radio Club were operating from the Lighthouse "**Sazalniksky**", ERU-174 for ARLHS and RLE-026 for RLHA (Russian Lighthouse Award), this past weekend (June 11-12th), using the club callsign **RW6AWW/p**. They were expected to run both CW and SSB with two stations on the air. QSL via RW6CW.

LX, LUXEMBOURG (Also PA). Dennis, G3PNF, will be active as LX/G3PNF now **through June 16th**. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters using Pro-Am whip dipoles. His suggested frequencies are: SSB - 7080 and 14180 kHz; CW - 7027, 14056 and 21056 kHz. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. Look for him to be active as **PA/G3PNF** from the **Netherlands** between **June 18-22nd**.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **4U1ITU QSL INFO/STATUS**. Jerry, N4JF, received the following message from Patrick, F6IRF, who was recently active from 4U1ITU and according to Attila, OM1AM, station manager: "As per club General-Assembly decision it has been decided that - considering the fact that LoTW is now operational and giving full satisfaction, one bureau card will not be sent anymore and systematically for each QSO. All QSOs have

now been uploaded to LoTW, and we encourage you to use this system. - we will of course continue to reply to all bureau and direct cards, and to special requests like SWLs, but at the moment the backlog remains important and the manpower very limited..."

- QSL **CT600** via CS1GDX, by the Bureau or direct to: P.O.Box 1156, 2736-996 Agualva, Portugal. Activity was to celebrate the Portugal Day Contest and the International Meeting CLube Fiat 500-600. Visit the Web page at: <http://www.clube600500.com/>.
- Ant, IZ8CCW, reports that he received the **YE3K** QSLs from IT9EJW's print shop. He states that all QSL cards are prepared and will be going out this week. To see the status of your QSL, visit the following Web page: <http://www.mdxc.org/iz8ccw/ye3k.htm>. All QSLs not requested via direct were sent out June 11th via the bureau.
- Zik, YT1HA, reports that QSL cards for **5Z4YT1CS** are printed and are ready for sending. All stations who send their QSL direct will be returned the same way. QSLs are also "OK" via the bureau. For direct cards, QSL via YT1CS, and the address is: Miroljub Stosic, Jugoslovenska 70, Surdulica 17530, SERBIA and MONTENEGRO.

SILENT KEYS.....

- George, VK5ALS, reports that Don, **VK3DZM**, became a Silent Key (SK) on June 4th. Don was a very keen, well-known and liked operator on the 80 meters DX Phone scene for many years who will be sadly missed by all of his many amateur friends, his friends in general and his family.
- OPDX was informed that Eddy, **FK8CR**, became a Silent Key (SK) on June 8th. Eddy, who was active for many years, was on the first IOTA DXpedition to Chesterfield Island (FK5C) and on Matthew Island (FK5M).

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of VK3DZM and FK8CR.

SPECIAL EVENT (YL Activity/Event). Look for the special event station **TF3SYL** to be aired between **June 10-18th** from **Reykjavik**, Iceland, and during the **Scandinavian Young Ladies Radio Amateurs** (SYLRA) meeting that will take place between June 12-15th. Delegates from 8 different countries will be attending. Unni, LA6RHA, is the President of SYLRA. QSL via the bureau to TF3VS or direct to: Vilhjalmur Sigurjonsson, Digranesvegi 18a, IS-200 Kopavogur, Iceland. For more info, please visit the SYLRA Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/sylra/tf3syl.html>.

SPECIAL EVENT. Members of the F6KWP ARS and their friends are expected to be active until **June 20th** from the **border of Belgium and Luxembourg** during the **2005 HamEuro**. Look for the following stations on HF: **TM7HAM**, **ON6HAM** and **LX7HAM**. QSL for the three callsigns via F6KWP direct or via the bureau.

SPECIAL EVENT. To celebrate the **50th anniversary of the National French Ham Railwaymen Group** (GRAC), look for special event station, **TM5RAC**, to be on the air between **June 15-28th**. QSL as per operator's instructions.

SU, EGYPT. Gab, HA3JB, will be active again as **SU8BHI** from **July 1st to December 31st**. He will be active on all bands using CW, RTTY, SSTV, PSK and some SSB during many of the major **upcoming contests**. QSL direct only via HA3JB: Kutasi Gabor, P.O. Box 243, H-8601

Siofok, Hungary. Logs will be available at: <http://www.qsl.net/ha3jb/>.

TI0, COSTA RICA. Members of the Radio Club of Costa Rica and a U.S team plan to be active as **TI0HQ** in the **IARU Contest (July 9-10th)** from the Costa Rican HQ as a Multi-Multi effort. They expected to have 3 or 4 stations on the air from different locations. Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via TI0RC. Operators mentioned are: TI2MOT, TI2GBY, TI2JCY, TI4ZM, TI3TLS, TI2CCC, TI2VW, TI2KAC, TI3MAO, TI2DLL, W4BW, K4UN, W4KTR, N5VI and possibly K4PI.

TT8, CHAD (Activity/News). Pierre, **TT8AMO**, was heard this past weekend on 17/15/12 meters CW at various times between 0730-1730z. QSL Manager Dennis, PA7FM, reports that "ALL" TT8M QSL cards have been answered in the past week...except for a few "problem" cards. He is expecting the TT8AMO QSL cards from the printer in the upcoming week, and will start answering those immediately. He will try to have them all answered before the end of this month. TT8AMO will be in Chad for about one more week before leaving the country for a well deserved break. He will try to be active as much as possible in this last week. Dennis states that if you have worked him on some bands...please do NOT work him again....and again. It will keep others from working him for a 'new one'. TT8M will return to Chad on the 16th of June. He will bring a 5 element yagi for 6m (UKSMG sponsored) and probably also a long yagi for 2m + amplifier. He will concentrate on 2 and 6 meters (also he will try EME when the moon is there at the right time). The end of the operation is still 'open' but it's not sure if Pierre, TT8AMO, will return to Chad after his break. The complete logs and a look at the photo QSL is available at the following Web page at: <http://www.pa7fm.nl>.

VK9C & VK9X, COCOS-KEELING AND CHRISTMAS ISLANDS (Correction/Updates). It seems your editor had a mix-up of operators for this upcoming operation. Rex, VK7MO, will activate both of these islands (not David, VK2CZ, as mentioned in [OPDX.712](#) last week). Look for him as **VK9CMO** from **Cocos-Keeling Island, August 18th to September 1st**. Also, look for him as **VK9XMO** from **Christmas Island, September 1-22nd**. These operations are solely 2m EME using the digital modes (no HF), and will be staged from the Christmas Island Cricket and Sporting Club (same venue as for VK9XD in 2003/2004). This is the first ever known attempt at EME from either of these Zone 29 islands!! Of course during this period, terrestrial 2m is also possible, and given the 'hot' Hepburn propagation in this part of the world, it is expected that opportunities to VK6 exist. YB0/YB1/9V1/4W3 are also within plausible range, but not anticipated. QSL via VK7MO direct. Visit the following Web page for more info at: <http://www.qrz.com/vk9xmo/>.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Also VK9C). David/VK2CZ and Charlie/W0YG will go to Christmas Island on October 22nd. They will be active from **October 23rd until November 6th**. They plan to be active as **VK9XD** in the **CQWW SSB Contest** that next weekend. Before and after the contest, Charlie will be on the air as **VK9XG** (mostly on RTTY and CW), and David will be active as **VK9XD**. David will return to Australia on **November 7th**. On November 7th, Charlie will move over to **Cocos-Keeling** as **VK9CG** and be active starting **November 8th** on the same bands as from Christmas Island. QSL all contacts with VK9XG and VK9CG direct only to W0YG. QSL VK9XD via David's QSL Manager VK6NE.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Glenn, WB9NDM, will be active as VP2V/WB9NDM from the island of **Tortola (IOTA NA-023)**, **June 22-24th**. Activity will be between 1300-1500z primarily on 20 meters SSB (14235 kHz). If conditions permit, he will also activate 17

and 15 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

YK, SYRIA. Hikmat, **YK1AM**, is now active from **Damascus** and was heard this past week on 14222 kHz after 0300z. He is the son of Rasheed, YK1AA, who at one time was the only active ham in Syria for years. Rasheed became a "Silent Key" (SK) in 1991.

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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